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**Advisory Action**

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## THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE: [check only a) or b)]

- a) ☒ expires 5 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) ☐ expires either three months from the mailing date of the final rejection, or on the mailing date of this Advisory Action, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for the response expire later than six months from the date of the final rejection.

Any extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a), the proposed response and the appropriate fee. The date on which the response, the petition, and the fee have been filed is the date of the response and also the date for the purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. Any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 will be calculated from the date of the originally set shortened statutory period for response or as set forth in b) above.

- ☒ Appellant's Brief is due two months from the date of the Notice of Appeal filed on Apr 14, 1999 (or within any period for response set forth above, whichever is later). See 37 CFR 1.191(d) and 37 CFR 1.192(a).

Applicant's response to the final rejection, filed on Apr 14, 1999 has been considered with the following effect, but is NOT deemed to place the application in condition for allowance:

- ☒ The proposed amendment(s):

☐ will be entered upon filing of a Notice of Appeal and an Appeal Brief.

- ☒ will not be entered because:

- ☒ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See note below).
- ☐ they raise the issue of new matter. (See note below).
- ☒ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal.
- ☐ they present additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: see attachment

- ☐ Applicant's response has overcome the following rejection(s):

- ☐ Newly proposed or amended claims \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims.
- ☐ The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
- ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
- ☒ For purposes of Appeal, the status of the claims is as follows (see attached written explanation, if any):
- Claims allowed: none
- Claims objected to: none
- Claims rejected: 1, 19-41, 43-58, 61-80, 82-89, 94, 101-106, 108, and 112-205
- ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ has ☐ has not been approved by the Examiner.
- ☒ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). 40
- ☐ Other

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Art Unit: 2774

1. The amendment to claims 19, 28, 29, 31-33, 38, 40, 41, 43-49, 51, 54, 55, 57, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 70-75, 77, 80, 89, 119, 142, 159-162, 164-166, 194 change the scope of the claims, and require further consideration. Therefore, the amendment filed 4/14/99 will not be entered.

Applicant's traversal of final rejection has been considered, but they are not persuasive since the combination of the references read on the claims.

2. The information disclosure statement filed 11/20/98 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks a statement as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e), because it lacks a petition requesting consideration of the information disclosure statement, **and** because it lacks the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(I). It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.